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SUBJECT:UJNR COORDINATOR'S MEETING

1. IN ANTICIPATION OF SPRING MEETING OF UJNR COORDINATORS IN TOKYO, CHESTER BENJAMIN, U.S. CO-COORDINATOR AND PRISCILLA BECKER, OES, CALLED ON U.S. CHAIRMEN FOR THE FOLLOWING UJNR PANELS: DESALTING, FORESTRY, NATIONAL PARKS, PROTEIN RESOURCES, MYCOPLASMOSIS AND FORAGE GERM-PLASM.

2. DESALTING PANEL, CHAIRED BY JACK JORGENSEN, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF WATER RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY, INTERIOR, WILLING TO RECEIVE PROPOSAL FROM JAPANESE FOR RENEWED CO-OPERATION. PREFERENCE IS TO BROADEN TOPICS TO INCLUDE ALL ASPECTS OF WATER RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY BUT JORGENSEN HOPEFUL OWRT COULD ACCOMMODATE REQUEST ON DESALTING AS WELL. OWRT AWAITING NEW DIRECTOR AND UNABLE TO TAKE INITIATIVE BUT RECEPTIVE TO JAPANESE IDEAS. REQUEST EMBASSY RELAY INFORMATION.  
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3. FORESTRY, CHAIRED BY CURT BERKLAND, DIRECTOR, BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT, PLANS FALL PANEL MEETING IN OREGON. EXPRESSED SATISFACTION WITH PANEL WORK AND WITH CONTINUING CONTACTS WITH JAPANESE.

4. NATIONAL PARKS AND EQUIVALENT RESOURCES PRESENTED TO JAPANESE AT FALL MEETING A PROPOSAL TO ALTER SOME ASPECTS OF PANEL OPERATIONS. SUGGEST HOLDING FULL PANEL MEETING EVERY 3 YEARS WITH SPECIALIZED TECHNICAL MEETINGS IN BETWEEN. U.S. CHAIRMAN JOHN COOK NO LONGER AVAILABLE. PARK SERVICE AWAITING NEW PEOPLE BEFORE NAMING SUCCESSOR.

5. MYCOPLASMOSIS CHAIRMAN JOHN WALKER EXPRESSED SATISFACTION WITH PANEL WORK. MENTIONED CONTINUING CONTACTS ON PROBLEM AREAS. PLAN TOKYO MEETING IN OCTOBER.

6. FORAGE GERMPLASM. U.S. CHAIRMAN GEORGE WHITE PLANS ATTENDANCE AT PANEL MEETING IN TOKYO, WEEK OF MARCH 14. NEW PROJECT ON GERMPLASM GETTING UNDERWAY ALTHOUGH WILL BE SMALLER IN SCOPE THAN PREVIOUS FORAGE SEED. WHITE WILL CONTACT SCICOUNS PRIOR TO ARRIVAL IN TOKYO.

7. PROTEIN RESOURCES - DR. BLOSSER, US PANEL MEMBER, EXPRESSED SATISFACTION WITH RECENT MEETINGS OF PANEL BUT AGREED THAT PANEL SUBJECT MATTER SHOULD BE BROADENED. HE AND DR. MORGAN, U.S. CHAIRMAN, WILL DISCUSS POSSIBILITIES.

8. U.S. PARTICIPANTS STILL AVAILABLE MID-MARCH (PREFER WEEK OF MARCH 21) FOR COORDINATORS MEETING BUT NEED CONFIRMATION FROM JAPANESE IMMEDIATELY. REQUEST EMBASSY INQUIRE AND REPLY.  
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